

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LETTER OF
NOTIFICATION OF AEP OHIO
TRANSMISSION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE
HEDDING ROAD SWITCH AND WEST
MOUNT VERNON-NORTH WALDO
138 kV RELOCATION PROJECT.

CASE NO. 23-570-EL-BLN

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on August 28, 2023

{¶ 1} AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (AEP) is a person as defined in R.C. 4906.01.

{¶ 2} Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A) provides that, for accelerated applications filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board), an automatic approval date for an accelerated application shall be no sooner than seven calendar days after the filing of the written report of investigation and no later than 90 days after the filing date of the application.

{¶ 3} On June 1, 2023, AEP filed a letter of notification application with the Board seeking approval to replace the existing Hedding Road Switch with a new phase-over-phase switch.

{¶ 4} Pursuant to R.C. 4906.03(E) and Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A), AEP's application will be automatically approved on August 30, 2023, unless suspended by the Board or an administrative law judge (ALJ).

{¶ 5} On August 25, 2023, Board Staff filed its report of investigation recommending automatic approval of this application on August 30, 2023.

{¶ 6} Thereafter, on August 28, 2023, Staff filed a motion for a partial waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A). Specifically, Staff requests a waiver of the requirement that

the requested automatic approval date be no sooner than seven calendar days after the filing of the written report of investigation. Staff notes that it filed the report of investigation on August 25, 2023, which is only five days before the automatic approval date. AEP does not oppose Staff's motion.

{¶ 7} Under the circumstances presented, the ALJ finds Staff's request for a partial waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A) to be reasonable and therefore the motion is granted.

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That Staff's motion for partial waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A) be granted. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all interested persons and parties of record.

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/s/ Nicholas J. Walstra

By: Nicholas J. Walstra
Administrative Law Judge

MJA/dr

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Summary: Administrative Law Judge Entry granting Staff's motion for partial waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A) electronically filed by Debbie S. Ryan on behalf of Nicholas J. Walstra, Administrative Law Judge, Ohio Power Siting Board.